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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

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Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following new paragraph prior to the paragraph on page 1, prior to line 4:

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a Continuation of application number 09/385,592, entitled "DIGITAL VIDEO CONTENT TRANSMISSION CIPHERING AND DECIPHERING METHOD AND APPARATUS", filed on August 29, 1999.